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Senate Bill _____
By _____

House No. HR0015
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A RESOLUTION to create a special House committee to study the transportation needs of inner city residents.

WHEREAS, public transportation issues are of paramount concern to citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the public transportation needs of inner city residents have changed and continue to change because of increasing employment opportunities in suburban job locations and a corresponding decrease in the number of jobs available in traditional inner city locations; and

WHEREAS, public transportation is the only means of transportation available to large numbers of inner city residents; and

WHEREAS, the increasing cost of private transportation prohibits many inner city residents from obtaining private means of transportation; and

WHEREAS, because of the importance of the public transportation needs of inner city residents and the continued trend of employers locating businesses farther away from traditional inner city job locations, it is time for the General Assembly to address this extremely

important issue directly, and take appropriate measures to increase the scope and efficiency of public transportation to meet the changing employment environment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That there is hereby created a special House committee to study the public transportation needs of inner city residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special House committee shall be charged with the following responsibilities and duties:

(1) Establishing cooperative efforts with the department of transportation to identify and improve inner city public transportation needs; and

(2) Reviewing available statistics relative to inner city public transportation needs in Tennessee, to include, but not be limited to, the numbers of inner city residents employed in jobs located outside the inner city area, and, the number of inner city employees employed in jobs located in suburban areas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special House committee shall be composed of four (4) members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all appropriate agencies of state government, including the Department of Transportation, shall provide assistance to the special House committee, upon the request of the chair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special House committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly and, at its first meeting, shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all legislative members of the special House committee who are duly elected members of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to

the General Assembly and shall be paid as members of the General Assembly are paid for attending legislative meetings as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special House committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations to the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly no later than February 1, 1996, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

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